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(54) APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR REDUCING POWER CONSUMPTION IN **AD-HOC NETWORK** 

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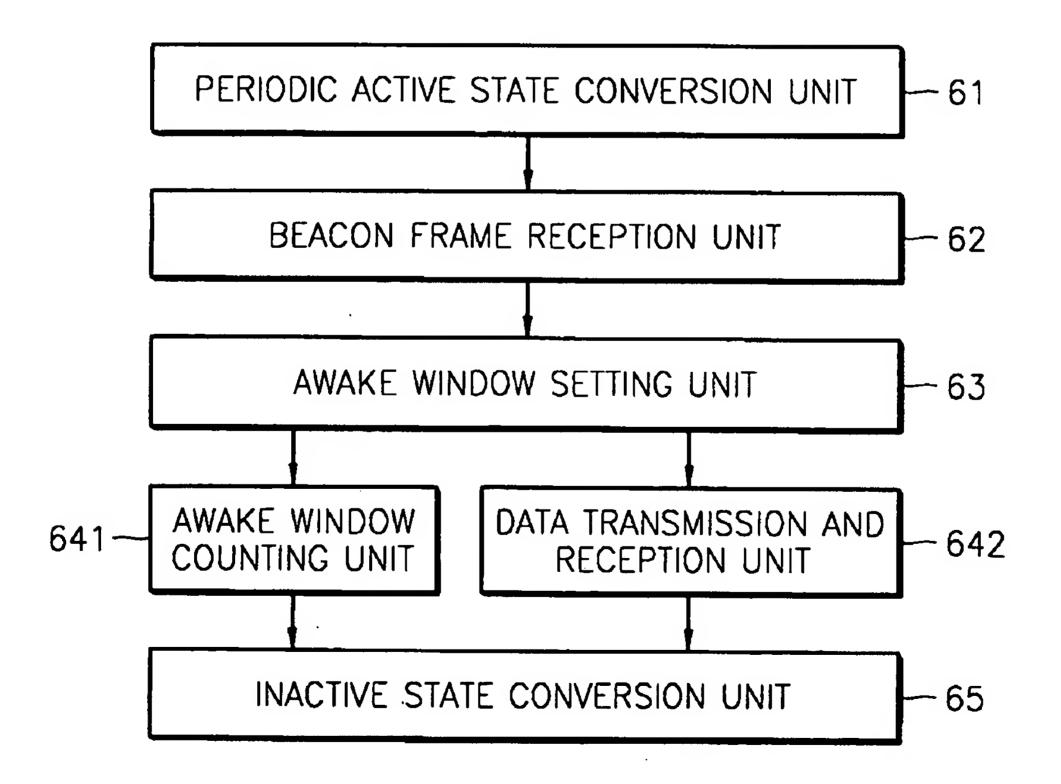
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(57)**ABSTRACT** 

A power consumption reducing apparatus and method are provided wherein the apparatus includes a periodic active state conversion unit which converts an inactive state into an active state; a beacon frame reception unit which, in an active state, receives a beacon frame; an awake window setting unit which sets the awake window; an awake window interval counting unit which counts the interval value in the awake window; and an inactive state conversion unit which converts the awake window into an inactive state. According to the apparatus, an active state needs to be maintained only during a window interval such that power consumption can be reduced during an inactive interval. In addition, an AIIM window is replaced by an awake window such that an ATIM message that has been regarded as a network overhead, and an acknowledgement response frame to the message are removed, that is, the network overheads are removed.



## **EAST Search History**

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L1	8942	(dormant passive idle low\$power\$3 (low adj power\$3) non\$active sleep doze (power adj sav\$4) power\$sav\$4 inactive) and beacon\$1	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; EPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2007/08/17 12:36
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L3	1736	L1 and L2	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; EPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2007/08/17 12:10
L4	1563218	(updat\$4 resets reset resetting sets set setting adjust\$4 synchroni\$7 updat\$4) with (clock\$1 time\$3 period\$1)	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; EPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2007/08/17 12:12
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L6	988	L5 and delay\$1	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; EPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2007/08/17 12:13
L7	270	L6 and null	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; EPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2007/08/17 12:13
L8	235	L7 and wireless	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; EPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR	OFF	2007/08/17 12:13
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L10	102	time adj (sync\$2 synchron\$7) adj function	US-PGPUB; USPAT; USOCR; EPO; DERWENT; IBM_TDB	OR ,	OFF	2007/08/17 12:35
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